## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

### SOUND QUALITY ADJUSTING DEVICE AND FILTER DEVICE USED THEREFOR, SOUND QUALITY ADJUSTING METHOD, AND FILTER DESIGNING METHOD,

the specification of which

	X	is attached herewith;	
Ī		was previously filed on	, as Appl. Ser. No

In the event that the filing date and/or Application No. are not entered above at the time I execute this document, and if such information is deemed necessary, I hereby authorize and request my attorneys/agent(s) at Connolly Bove Lodge & Hutz LLP, 1990 M Street, N.W., Suite 800, Washington, DC 20036-3425, to insert above the filing date and/or Application No. of said application.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by an amendment, if any, specifically referred to herein.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me that is material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

#### FOREIGN PRIORITY CLAIM

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code § 119(a)-(d) of any
foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified
below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that
of the application on which priority is claimed:

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# EARLIEST FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY FILED WITHIN 12 MONTHS (6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) OF THE EFFECTIVE FILING DATE OF THIS U.S. APPLICATION

Application Number	Country	Date of Filing	Priority Claimed Under 35 USC 119
2001-273350	JAPAN	10 September, 2001	X Yes No
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### ALL FOREIGN APPLICATION(S), IF ANY FILED MORE THAN 12 MONTHS (6 MONTHS FOR DESIGN) PRIOR TO THIS U.S. APPLICATION

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#### CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER U.S. PROVISIONAL APPLICATIONS

I hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119(e), of any United States provisional patent application(s) listed below:

X	no such U.S. provisional applications have been filed.	
	such U.S. provisional application have been filed as follows	:

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		Yes No
		Yes No
		Yes No

### CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER U.S./PCT APPLICATION(S)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of the United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

### I hereby appoint:

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X such U.S./PCT application have been filed as follows:

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